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A dispatch to the *Times* from Paris says that news has been received from Madagascar to the effect that the Hovas are arming, and, undaunted by the presence of French soldiers, are driving the peasants from the rice fields. The French post at Wandanant was attacked by Hovas, who killed five persons and took twenty-one prisoners including two Frenchmen. The French outpost at Avondara was also pillaged. The French Residee at Manakia was smeared with mud and the Resident himself menaced with death. The Minister of Marine has ordered reinforcements to be sent.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 24th.  
Twenty-seven new cases and twenty-four deaths, from cholera, are reported here. General Gourko is still seriously ill.

BERLIN, December 24th.  
Since the commercial treaties with Rumania, Spain and Serbia were passed Chancellor von Capri has been forced to resign his office and to resign immediately after the passage of the treaty with Russia.

The report that he has told the Emperor of his desire to retire is heard daily, in high official circles, but by the public at large it is taken with a grain of salt. The Conservative agitation against the Chancellor is more energetic than ever. His old Prussian associates are especially bitter, but no influence on any side have abated the Emperor's determination to adhere to his former official.

Count Botho Eulenburg, Prussian Premier, having found his intrigues thwarted by the Emperor's prejudice, has gone over to the Chancellor's side completely in the last few days, and the personal friction between the two statesmen has ceased. Hence Eulenburg's circular ordering high Prussian officials, whom he tacitly permitted during the last days of the Landtag elections to oppose the Government, to stop their obstructive tactics.

It is late in the day for Eulenburg to issue the order. The supreme significance of the circular lies mainly in the fact that it recognizes the permanence of the Chancellor's position which he sought to undermine.

PALESTINE, December 24th.  
There has been renewed and serious rioting, owing to the anti-Ottoman agitation, at Lercara di Fredi. A mob marched to the Ottoman stations and burned several of the toll-houses. Troops and gendarmes were hastily summoned, and after a sharp conflict, during which two policemen were wounded, the mob dispersed. In consequence of the repeated disturbances and enforcement of troops will be dispatched to the island.

LONDON, December 25th.

The *Times* prints a special Berlin article on the relations of Sweden and Norway. It says that there is every reason to believe that the King of Sweden is prepared to use force to maintain the union between the two countries. It is unquestionable that the Swedes, who were at first sympathetic, have been aroused by the attitude of the Norwegian radicals to such a pitch of exasperation that little more might easily lead them into action. At the same time, although there is a strong military party in Sweden, the nation as a whole would think twice before it undertook the risks of a war which might entail foreign complications. Denmark has shown sympathy for Norway that the creation of a Norwegian republic would greatly endanger the Danish dynasty, and therefore the scheme has been conceived in high quarters that, if separation becomes necessary, it might be feasible to place Prince Waldemar of Denmark on the throne of independent Norway to found a Norwegian dynasty. Prince Waldemar is 35 years old and has three children, all boys.

The *Times* announces that Admiral Victor Montagu, who had the *Viola*, the *Corinth* and the *Vandalia* built, will have a new forty-rater next season. She will be designed by Watson and built on the Clyde. Admiral Montagu says he is open to race the cutter against any new forty-rater designed by an American designer for a substantial stake, the best of three matches, under the rules of the British Yacht-Racing Association. The American boat must be designed by an American, but, though advisable, may be built in England or in any other country.

A dispatch to the *Times* from Paris says that Clemenceau will publish on Tuesday a letter from Toulon declaring that, despite official statements, the man-of-war *Magenta* cannot keep upright, and her second trip has been indefinitely postponed because of the risk to 600 lives and 25,000,000 francs. The writer says that the *Magenta's* condition calls for a Parliamentary inquiry.

The preliminary statement of the Board of Agriculture shows that the yearly yield of barley is 10,000,000 bushels less than in 1893, although 40,000,000 acres were planted. Of oats there are 6,000,000 bushels less, although 15,000,000 acres were planted. The yield of wheat has fallen 500,000,000 and the acreage has decreased 300,000.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 25th.  
Mile, Nicholova, the favourite danseuse of the Imperial Theatre, invited a party of friends to supper yesterday evening.

While seated at the table the hostess arose hurriedly, and in a few brief words bade farewell to the guests and, before anybody could prevent it, swallowed a dose of poison which she had poured unobserved into a wine glass, and fell dead.

CITY OF MEXICO, December 25th.  
The extensive plant of *El Dimorata*, a daily newspaper confiscated by the Government several months ago because of its opposition tendencies, has been presented to an orphan asylum by order of the First District Judge. The plant was valued at several thousand dollars.

AMSTERDAM, December 25th.  
The meeting of the so-called congress of Dutch socialists at Croningen resulted in violent quarrels and disorders. Eighty-six sections of the Socialist party were represented.

LONDON, December 25th.  
An officer of the British gunboat *Boomerang*, writing from Sydney, N.S.W., gives an account of the punishment inflicted on the Pentecost Island cannibals. They murdered four members of the crew of the American schooner Don Henry last September and also murdered a portion of the crew of a French vessel.

The *Boomerang* and the French warship *Schnee* landed detachments of marines and defeated the cannibals in several engagements and burned their villages.

The French and British commanders also captured those directly implicated in the murder. They were all sentenced to imprisonment for life at the French convict settlement at Noumea.

At Pentecost Island alone over thirty white men have been massacred and robbed. Large quantities of human bones and other remains were found, indicating beyond doubt that the cannibals had other victims.

The *Post*, in an article upon the meeting of Congress, says it has to consider the question of how to keep the Government going amid the confusion and disorder due to the corruption which professional politicians have introduced into every department. The McKinley system,

it adds, has killed the goose which laid so many golden eggs for the treasury.

The pension expenditure, it declares, is a most scandalous item. One hundred years ago the American politician tried to rob the fighting man of his battles, and now his successors have been wasting money on any scheme so long as there was an excuse for maintaining taxation.

The fact that some persons hoped the repeal of the Sherman law would restore commercial prosperity shows how little real knowledge the republic possessed.

After a course of folly and corruption unexampled in modern history, it is ludicrous to expect that the vote of Congress will set things right.

The personal merit of President Cleveland's policy is his resolute striving to carry measures which will be able to bear immediate fruit.

The *Telegraph*, commenting upon the alleged discovery of Abilene, Kan., of a plot to kidnap President Cleveland's daughter Ruth, says it hopes it is only the story of an American writer who happened to be short of Christmas copy.

In view, however, of similar exploits, like the abduction of Charles Ross, the *Telegraph* adds it is impossible to entirely dismiss the story as unfounded. Those bent on money-making have no reverence for President Cleveland. The newspaper, regardless of a sense of chivalry, call Mrs. Cleveland "Frankie." The people who tolerate this sort of thing, the *Telegraph* says, must not be surprised if the President's daughter is in reality stolen.

A dispatch to the *Times* from Berlin says that the socialist students of the Universities of Berlin, Bonn, Munster, Marburg and Kiel, for the first time in the history of the German universities, have publicly declared their sentiments by sending an address to the International Congress of Socialist students at Geneva. They also intend to send a delegate.

The temperature here yesterday ranged from 38 to 40 degrees. At St. Petersburg the heavy storm at Sheffield. At St. Petersburg the heavy continued. In European Russia it is abnormally warm.

A dispatch to the *Times* from Rome says that Crispi in January will withdraw all his interest in the *Riforma* newspaper, which for a long time has been his exclusive property and has been everywhere recognized as an official organ.

William Watkins Lloyd, the arctologist, is dead.

PARIS, December 25th.  
A pamphlet, written by Colonel de Polignac, proposes that France ally herself with the Mussulmans in Africa. It declares that France would thus compel them to live in peace with the Spaniards, and that this alliance would make France mistress of the Western Mediterranean and enable Spain to place sufficient artillery at Algiers to render Gibraltar untenable.

Deputy Lockroy, in an interview to-day, announced his intention of interpellating the Government regarding the condition of the French navy, directly the Chamber of Deputies reassembles. During the interview Lockroy said he had formed the belief that the Italian navy, for its size, was the finest in the world.

NEW YORK, December 25th.  
The Standard Oil Company's steam-tug *Brilliant* was swamped in the harbor, near Fourteenth street, South Brooklyn, by the high seas, kicked up by a gale. Her pilot-house was washed away by a huge wave and the vessel was flooded. She sank in two minutes. All crew, save the fireman, escaped.

The *Herald's* dispatch from Managua, Nicaragua, says: The Government of Nicaragua has been collecting forced war loans from American citizens/residents here in violation of treaty. United States Minister Baker has made a vigorous protest against such proceedings.

ST. PETERSBURG, December 25th.  
Hosts of Jews are being expelled from Kiev. The expulsions from St. Petersburg continue, but upon a milder scale. The Jews in the interior are being provided with tickets to the frontier by the Government for speedier expulsions.

BERLIN, December 25th.  
The news has been received from Uganda that the Mohammedans have been expelled by the Christians. Severe fighting is now in progress between the Christians and Mohammedans, and the encounter will probably take place at Myoro. It is believed there will be renewed conflicts between the Mohammedans and Catholics, owing to the fact that the former have broken their agreement with the Catholics and depopulated the provinces of Kama, Blivenkila and Large See, whose populations were Catholic. The French troops are also said to have declared vengeance upon the native converts to Catholicism and it is believed that peace can only be secured by the permanent expulsion of the Mohammedan Bigandas and the separation of the Catholic and Protestant spheres by Nile tributaries.

GLASGOW, December 25th.  
Watson, the designer of the *Valley* and *Thistle*, is building a yacht for an American to compete with the new forty-rater ordered by Admiral Montagu. Watson would not give the name of the American. Secretary Grant of the Royal Yacht Squadron says Montagu intends to open a challenge to all comers. No challenge has been sent for the *America's* Cup, and none has been received for the Cape May Cup. It is again rumored that Emperor William is negotiating for the purchase of the American sloop *Vigilant*.

GENEVA, December 25th.  
Professor Brooks, director of the Smith Observatory, has just been awarded the comet prize medal of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific for the discovery of a comet on October 10th. This is the fourth medal awarded by the above society to Professor Brooks.

BRUSSELS, December 25th.  
The Skupstina has finally passed the bill sanctioning the commercial treaties with Russia and modifying the national bank regulation. The count is still hearing the indictment against the impeached ministers. The King is indisposed.

AMSTERDAM, December 25th.  
Two thousand unemployed workmen, organized into a parade by socialist agitators, marched in a procession to-day through the leading streets, though repeatedly dispersed by the police. Finally, however, a detachment of 100 policemen charged with drawn sabres upon the mob. The latter replied by showering stones at the police, and several pitched battles followed, during which a number of persons on both sides were more or less injured. Three socialists and one policeman were severely wounded.

PALERMO, December 25th.  
Rioting against the *afro* dress continues. A threatening crowd gathered in front of the Mayor's residence and fought the police with stones. The troops were called out and fired on the mob, wounding four.

PRAGUE, December 25th.  
Dolezal and Bragoun, two members of the secret socialist society at Omladina, arrested on suspicion of having murdered the glove-maker Mirva, have confessed their guilt. They say they were lured to commit the murder by a speech of Dr. Herold, one of the young Czech leaders, in the court of which he denounced Mirva as an agent of the provocateur.

Speculation is all over here has collapsed, and the bulls have lost heavily. The prospect is that exchange will improve within a fortnight and that export trade will expand.

LONDON, December 25th.  
Dispatches received by the city houses through

South African merchants, Mosenthal Sons & Co., report that the British South Africa Company's force, under Captain Wilson, forty strong, have been massacred by Matabeles. All communication between Captain Wilson and Major Forbes has been destroyed by the rising of rivers, it now being the rainy season.

It was also reported this afternoon that Captain Barrow, who was sent across the Shanghai by Major Forbes to re-enforce Wilson and who shared with him the command of the consolidated columns, has also been lost with all his men. Late this afternoon, however, the general opinion in the city discredited all reports of a massacre.

The secretary of the Bechnaland Exploration Company in London to-day received a dispatch from Premier Cecil Rhodes of Cape Colony and Hon. Maurice Clifford saying that they fear the worst has happened to Captain Wilson. The secretary sent this dispatch to Captain Wilson's relatives in Accra.

After the defeat of King Lo Bengula at Bulawayo he fled to and across the Shanghai river, pursued by the British. Captain Wilson and about forty men left the main pursuing column and crossed the Shanghai after the enemy. Shortly after he crossed the river began to rise, and his retreat was cut off.

Soon reports began to be received that the whole force had been killed, and they were believed at the Colonial Office, though no official dispatches were received to confirm them.

On December 13th the report was telegraphed from Cape Town that Captain Wilson's force had defeated the Matabeles under Lobengula and that the natives had fled. This report, however, like those of the massacre of the force, was not confirmed.

It was then also said that Captain Wilson was understood to be making for Fort Charter, as the rise in the river prevented his return to Bulawayo. Advice now received indicates that the first report of the massacre of the force was probably correct, and that instead of defeating the Matabeles the latter annihilated Wilson's force.

## FOOCHOW NOTES.

Foochow, January 20th, 1891.  
The pawnshops are said to be particularly busy just now. Two new ones are to be opened immediately on Nankai.

The natives believe that there will be a heavy fall of snow before New Year. According to present appearances their forecast is bold.

At 8 p.m. on Tuesday last a native woman was seen to jump from the Long Bridge into the river and was drowned. No reason could be given by her friends for the suicide.

The following is the tea export since our issue of 6th instant as per consignment returns:—  
Per *Telmachus* for London 190,833 lbs.  
For Hongkong 406,830 lbs.

A large emigration of natives is now going on to Singapore for the special purpose of working on the railways in the Malay States. We hear of 500 having already left and a allowance of \$5 per man is made to provide a kit.

We hear that the authorities have prohibited the free printing and selling of Chinese calendars on account of the frequency of mistakes that appear in them. They reserve to themselves the right to print and publish them and a mandarin has been appointed to superintend their sale.

The long drought has had one good effect and that is stirring up the authorities in the city to look to the water supply. They are opening up a canal which is to connect with the river. Some 500 Hunan soldiers are at work on it, for which they are paid 50 cash a day besides their regular pay.

Several of the mandarins have issued proclamations intimating that they had heard that the banks came about through conspiracy to wreck them, and they warn the people that any one found to be guilty of the crime in the future will be immediately beheaded.

After an absence of rain, beyond a passing shower, for 125 days, wet weather has set in much to the relief of the farmers and gardeners. There is general rejoicing in the city and, as a change, where the streets had all run dry, and much sickness existed which it is now hoped will disappear.

The sub-magistrate of the Jinchung district having been transferred to some other post, the people of the place have petitioned the Provincial Treasurer to be allowed to erect a temple in his honour and place his name in it. The required permission has been given. It will be seen that this sub-magistrate was very highly esteemed in the locality.

We hear that the Provincial Treasurer has included in a remittance to Peking, for the famine relief fund, the allowance usually made by the Government to the *chuyin*, the allowance being 20 taels each to meet their travelling expenses to the capital, and the *chuyin* learning this have petitioned the Viceroy begging that their right to the allowance may be reserved.

The residence of a wealthy Chinaman situated near the river bank at Ling-poo was plundered by a gang of 10 men a few days ago, and money and valuables of considerable amount were carried away. Arriving and going away in a boat, they were thought to be pirates. The master of the house being away and only women and children left in the house no resistance was made. No personal harm was done to the inmates.

Following the failure of so many of the smaller native banks, there is a general want of confidence in all bank notes, the lower classes not recognizing the difference between those issued by banks of unquestionable standing and those of small capital. To such an extent have notes been exchanged for dollars that the absorption of Mexican lately has been quite important, and note holders in their eagerness to get quit of their notes have not been particular as to the quality of the dollars given them in exchange.

These are now being very generally reduced in weight by a scamping process, and but little if any objection has been made to this so far in single dollar exchange transactions, the poor preferring to accept a light dollar rather than hold a note which might possibly be worthless.—*Edo*.

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Today's Advertisements.

HONGKONG ATHLETIC SPORTS.

NOTICE

A MEETING will be held in the VICTORIA HOTEL, on TUESDAY, the 30th day of January, 1894, at 5 o'clock, at which all persons interested in Athletic Sports are requested to attend.

A. DENISON, Honorary Secretary, H. E. A. C.

## Today's Advertisements.

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SATURDAY POSITIVELY LAST TWO GRAND PERFORMANCES at 3 P.M. and at 9 P.M.

Sole Proprietors, Misses M. N. & E. D'ARC.  
Hongkong, 26th January, 1894. [128]

## A CONCERT IN AID OF THE ALICE MEMORIAL

NETHERSOLE HOSPITALS, will be given in the CITY HALL, ON

SATURDAY, 10TH FEBRUARY, commencing at 9.15 P.M.

Under the Patronage of H.E. Sir WILLIAM, and Lady ROBINSON.

Full Programme will be announced shortly.  
Hongkong, 26th January, 1894. [134]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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"HAITAN" Captain Goddard, will be despatched for the above Port on MONDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., General Managers.  
Hongkong, 26th January, 1894. [132]

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS: FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA AND KOBE. THE Steamship

"SIKH," Captain Rowley, will be despatched as above on or about FRIDAY, the 2nd proximo.

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1894. [131]

"SHRE" LINE OF STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk, into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd February will be subject to rest.

All claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 2nd February, or they will not be recognised. All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd February, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL, CARLILL & Co., Agents.  
Hongkong, 26th January, 1894. [127]

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Hongkong, 14th October, 1893. [35]

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Hongkong, 26th January, 1894. [131]

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION, No. 8.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of Crown Land, by Public Auction, to be held on the spot, on MONDAY, the 29th day of January, 1894, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command, G. T. M. O'BRIEN, Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 13th January, 1894. [132]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Monday, the 29th day of January, 1894, at 3 P.M., by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of CROWN LAND at Temple Street, Yau-mat, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Acres.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
No. 68.	Kowloon Island Lot 150.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	150.330.330.495.000.	232.	2,475.

For working capital:—  
\$1 per share on 23,686 shares above mentioned ..... 23,686  
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80,022

Capital of the Company ..... \$150,000

From the above Statement it will be seen that the Company pays the Old Company (in shares) considerably less than their outlay for the purchase of the properties and machinery.

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(b) Gold to the value of £100,000 has been taken out of these properties and this without any real attempt to develop the mines by sinking deep shafts.

(c) The mines when worked by tributers (i.e., a few miners who from time to time have leased the right to work) have always made large profits for the workers. Before the Old Company was formed upwards of 3,448 oz. of gold were won from about 1,500 to 2,000 tons of stone, and within the past 12 months tributers have won properties getting out stone in considerable quantities yielding from \$ 0.25 to 35 oz. to the ton. The workings of the tributers will not interfere with the sinking of shafts and the development of the property, and their right of tribute will expire in September, 1894.

(d) In parts of the Balmoral property the reef has yielded as much as 4 oz. to 7 oz. per ton, and it is confidently expected that, with certain necessary expenditure in sinking and driving and in the purchase of additional machinery, these properties will turn out gold in very paying quantities.

(e) The Government of New South Wales have promised £100 towards shaft-sinking on the Balmoral property, and the Government Prospecting Board described the Queen of the Mount as a splendid property. In 1892, 429 tons yielded 450 oz. to tributers.



## Mails.

For Swatow and Bangkok.—Per *Kong Hong*  
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